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The House met at 2 p.m.

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer:

Almighty and eternal God, through Your provident goodness, and guided by Your Spirit, you have brought us together for this fall session of the 108th Congress of the United States of America.

Keep us safe and healthy throughout these days. May all our thoughts, words, and actions be pleasing in Your sight and serve the lasting interests of this Nation, so that, as a people, we may become a beacon of light and a lesson in freedom to the rest of the world

This we pray, now and forever. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentle-woman from Michigan (Mrs. MILLER of Michigan) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. MILLER of Michigan led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Monahan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed with amendments in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a bill and a concurrence resolution of the House of the following titles:

H.R. 663. An act to amend title IX of the Public Health Service Act to provide for the

improvement of patient safety and to reduce the incidence of events that adversely affect patient safety, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate insists upon its amendment to the bill (H.R. 663), "An Act to amend title IX of the Public Health Service Act to provide for the improvement of patient safety and to reduce the incidence of events that adversely affect patient safety, and for other purposes", disagreed to by the House, agrees to the conference asked by the House on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoints Mr. GREGG, Mr. FRIST, Mr. ENZI, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. DODD, and Mr. JEFFORDS, to be the conferees on the part of the Senate.

H. Con. Res. 398. Concurrent resolution expressing the concern of Congress over Iran's development of the means to produce nuclear weapons.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed bills, a joint resolution, and concurrent resolutions of the following titles in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 720. An act to amend title IX of the Public Health Service Act to provide for the improvement of patient safety and to reduce the incidence of events that adversely affect patient safety.

S. 2501. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 73 South Euclid Avenue in Montauk, New York, as the "Perry B. Duryea, Jr. Post Office".

S. 2640. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1050 North Hills Boulevard in Reno, Nevada, as the "Guardians of Freedom Memorial Post Office Building" and to authorize the installation of a plaque at such site, and for other purposes.

S. 2682. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 222 West 8th Street, Durango, Colorado, as the "Ben Nighthorse Campbell Post Office Building".

S.J. Res. 41. Joint resolution commemorating the opening of the National Museum of the American Indian.

S. Con. Res. 81. Concurrent resolution expressing the concern of Congress over Iran's

development of the means to produce nuclear weapons.

S. Con. Res. 106. Concurrent resolution urging the Government of Ukraine to ensure a democratic, transparent, and fair election process for the presidential election on October 31, 2004.

S. Con. Res. 109. Concurrent resolution commending the United States Institute of Peace on the occasion of its 20th anniversary and recognizing the Institute for its contribution to international conflict resolution.

S. Con. Res. 112. Concurrent resolution supporting the goals and ideals of National Purple Heart Recognition Day.

S. Con. Res. 126. Concurrent resolution condemning the attack on the AMIA Jewish Community Center in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in July 1994, and expressing the concern of the United States regarding the continuing, decade-long delay in the resolution of this issue.

S. Con. Res. 133. Concurrent resolution declaring genocide in Darfur, Sudan.

S. Con. Res. 135. Concurrent resolution authorizing the printing of a commemorative document in memory of the late President of the United States, Ronald Wilson Reagan.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. Pence) laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

Office of the Clerk, House of Representatives, Washington, DC, July 26, 2004.

Hon. J. Dennis Hastert,

Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Senate on July 23, 2004 at 4:10 p.m.:

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3340.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 3463.

That the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 4222.

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Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.

